

DEATH RATE FOR ACCIDENTAL FALLS

Objective

By 1990, the death rate from falls should be reduced to no more than two per 100,000 population.

Explanatory Notes

Includes ICD codes E880-888 of the Ninth Revision and E880-887 of the Eighth Revision.

Findings

North Carolina's death rate from accidental falls rose in 1987 and 1988 and then declined. Traditionally, N.C.'s rate has been below that of the nation, but it appears likely that the state's rate will exceed that of the nation in 1990.

Related National Year 2000 Objectives

- o Reduce deaths from falls and fall-related injuries to no more than 2.3 per 100,000 people.
- o Reduce deaths from falls and fall-related injuries among people aged 65-84 to no more than 14.4 per 100,000 people.
- o Reduce deaths from falls and fall-related injuries among people aged 85 and older to no more than 105 per 100,000 people.
- o Reduce deaths from falls and fall-related injuries among black men 30-69 to no more than 5.6 per 100,000 people.

Data Sources

North Carolina: State Center for Health and Environmental Statistics
United States: National Center for Health Statistics